Testimonials

"OCCB helped take us from an organization with just a dream to an organization with the knowledge and capacity to realize that dream."

- Capacity Building Program Participant

"The program is excellent. It gives us hands-on knowledge that is needed to assure success."

- Capacity Building Program Participant

"The level of commitment; the guidance provided has made a significant contribution towards the advancement of our organization."

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Building capacity in Virginia's community development and housing partners



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Providing Capacity Building Services to Virginia's Community Development Partners



OUR MISSION AND GOAL

The Office of Community Capacity Building (OCCB) serves as a catalyst for improving Virginia's community development partners' effectiveness to achieve their mission.

This is accomplished by providing capacity building services in **five key** areas:

- Organizational Development and Growth
- Organizational Management
- Resource Development
- Program Development
- Community Relations and Accountability



The goal of OCCB is to have sustainable organizations that improve the quality of life in communities they serve.

OCCB offers a variety of programs and services, primarily to nonprofit organizations and local governments located in non-entitlement communities throughout Virginia, to assist with increasing capacity. Intensive technical assistance and training is provided to strengthen and improve an organization's performance.

SERVICES

Training Center

Offers trainings on organizational development and affordable housing development related topics.

Technical Assistance and Facilitation Services

Can be provided short term for groups that need assistance with strategic planning, project planning, issue resolution, process improvements and other meetings and planning sessions.

Funding Prospect Searches

For private foundation funding through an online directory is available for non-profit organizations in Virginia.

Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Certification and Recertification

Completed for community-based organizations that serve non-entitlement areas in Virginia that have the capacity to develop affordable housing.

Organizations are certified using guidelines established under the HOME program.

PROGRAMS

Seed Program

A two-year capacity building and operating support program for organizations engaged in community development activities that have identified a gap in their capacity and have a need for technical assistance. Participating organizations receive training in strategic planning, board and staff development, financial management, fund development, marketing and communications, and information systems.

Appalachian Regional Commission Flex-E-Grant

Invests in short-term projects that build the community's capacity to mobilize local resources, gain leadership experience, and strengthen community institutions and networks.

Communities for Opportunities

Assists Virginia workers in improving basic workplace skills for job placement, stability, retention and advancement.